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Sir:

With reference to the filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office of an application for patent in the name(s) of:

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entitled:

SPEECH SYNTHESIZING APPARATUS, SPEECH SYNTHESIZING METHOD, AND RECORDING MEDIUM

The following are enclosed:  X Specification (24 pages)  X 10 Sheet(s) of Drawings  X 11 Claim(s) (including 3 independent claim(s))  This application contains a multiple dependent claim
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Enclosed are papers constituting the above patent application which is being filed under 37 C.F.R. 1.53 without a signed Declaration. Please accord a filing date and a serial number to such application and inform the undersigned thereof so that a signed Declaration and the surcharge required by 37 C.F.R. 1.16(e) may be duly filed.

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